

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace Paragraph [0021] with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

[0021] Guard 42 includes a body 72 having a cylindrical portion 74 and a conical portion 76. A flange 78 is formed at the end of conical portion 76. A plurality of apertures 80 extend through cylindrical conical portion [[74]] 76. A drainage slot 82 axially extends through conical portion 74 to allow trapped contaminants such as water and dirt an opportunity to escape during operation. It should be appreciated to one skilled in the art that while guard 42 is shown constructed from steel sheet, any number of other structurally robust materials such as aluminum, brass or sheet molded compound may be used.